



## Bill Bowden

*October 21, 1937 - January 7, 2018*

Bill James Bowden, age 80, of Little Elm, Texas passed away on January 7, 2018. He was born October 21, 1937, in Mena, Arkansas, to Jess Allen and Rosie Elizabeth (Davis) Bowden. On April 19, 1975, Bill married his beloved wife, Josefina Casas, in El Paso, Texas.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Josie Bowden of Little Elm, Texas; sons, Billy Bowden and wife, Nicole of Frisco, Texas, and Brian Bowden and fiancé, Ruth Elliott of Houston, Texas; grandchildren, Caiden Vail, Brianna Bowden, Brylee Bowden, and Brody Bowden; sisters, Avajeon Simms of Batesville, Arkansas, and Evalene Camp of San Antonio, Texas; brother, Dewight Bowden and wife, Mary of Farmington, New Mexico; and several nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his daughter, Kristie Gumm, and his parents.

The family will receive friends during a visitation to be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 11, 2018, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home, 8520 Main Street, Frisco, Texas 75033. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018, at the funeral home.

## Memorials

*Thinking of you all and sending our love during this difficult time. Bill was a wonderful man who brought joy to everyone around him and loved his family more than words can describe. His memory will live on through them for many, many years. I am sorry we cannot be there to honor him in person, but our*

*thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Brian, Tiffany & Ashlyn*

**TIFFANY CONWAY, JANUARY 11, 2018**

*Bill, I have fond memories of our friendship as classmates. To some you may be leaving, but on the other shore you are arriving.*

**WELDON RYE, JANUARY 11, 2018**

*Josie y familia, Reciban nuestras sinceras condolencias en la partida de esposo y padre Bill. Sabemos que no va a ser fácil recuperar esta tan grande pena, pero le pedimos a Dios, que les de fortaleza en este momento tan difícil.*

*Sinceramente, Marcos y Araceli*

**MARCOS Y ARACELI MONTES, JANUARY 10, 2018**

*Dear Josie, Billy, and Brian, We are thinking of you and send our love and our deepest sympathy. Bill was very special and the picture online reflects his joy and positive outlook. We are fortunate to have been a part of your family and cherish our memories with you all as early settlers in North Hills. As Kahlil Gibran shares in *The Prophet*,: *On Joy and Sorrow from The Prophet by Khalil Gibran* Then a woman said, *Speak to us of Joy and Sorrow. And he answered: Your joy is your sorrow unmasked. And the selfsame well from which your laughter rises was oftentimes filled with your tears. And how else can it be? The deeper that sorrow carves into your being, the more joy you can contain. Is not the cup that holds your wine the very cup that was burned in the potter's oven? And is not the lute that soothes your spirit, the very wood that was hollowed with knives? When you are joyous, look deep into your heart and you shall find it is only that which has given you sorrow that is giving you joy. When you are sorrowful look again in your heart, and you shall see that in truth you are weeping for that which has been your delight. Some of you say, "Joy is greater than sorrow," and others say, "Nay, sorrow is the greater." But I say unto you, they are inseparable. Together they come, and when one sits alone with you at your board, remember that the other is asleep upon your bed. Verily you are suspended like scales between your sorrow and your joy. Only when you are empty are you at standstill and balanced. When the reassure-keeper lifts you to weigh his gold and his silver, needs must your joy or your**

*sorrow rise or fall. With love, Linda and Dean*

**LINDA AND DEAN BROWN, JANUARY 10, 2018**

*Our very deepest condolences to all the family. What a nice and warm picture posted of him. God bless. (Vivi - Chanito's cousin, El Paso, Tx)*

**VIVIANA AND RAFAEL RIVERA, JANUARY 10, 2018**

*Josie, my heart breaks for you and the boys. I know how hard it is but the boys will be a blessing as Jessica and Paul were for me. If you would like to talk or visit let me know. You can reach me at 214-457-8835 leave a message I normally don't answer if I don't know the number. Always keep God in your heart.*

**CINDY SLOCUM, JANUARY 9, 2018**

*Fairwell, dear friend. I will never forget our growing up together and all the times we stood by each other, traveling together to New Mexico, and all the miles you, Clutch and I drove up and down Mena Street, talking, visiting, and just having clean fun. And who can forget your dad's irritation at us for striking matches on the dashboard of his new pickup as you drove around and Clutch and lit firecrackers to throw out the window. We survived it all. Hopefully we will meet again.*

**HAROLD COOGAN, JANUARY 9, 2018**

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